

### REMARKS

This response is submitted in further support of an RCE filed on January 10, 2006 and based on the Advisory Action dated November 25, 2005. In the Advisory Action, Examiner requested Applicants' provide a declaration by the (non-inventive) authors of the *Cowan* publication ("On Chip Repair ... Fusing Methodology") indicating that the inventors of record in the subject Application are the inventors of the invention.

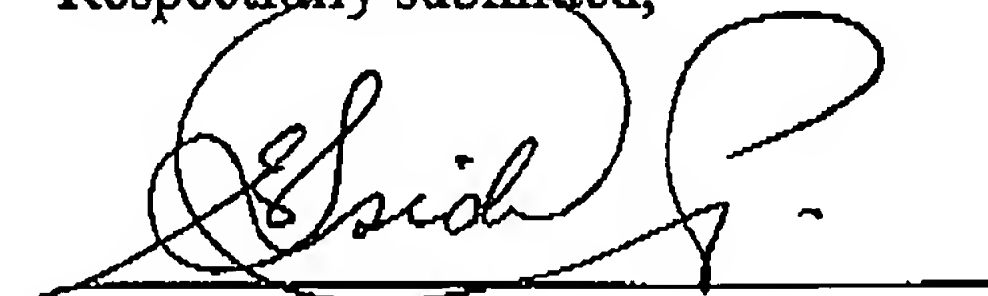
Applicants thus submit herewith a Declaration executed by each of the non-inventive authors of the *Cowan* publication. In that Declaration, the Declarants state that the inventors of the invention are those of record in the present, subject Application. This Declaration serves to disqualify *Cowan* as a valid 102 reference, and places the claims in condition for allowance

### CONCLUSION

In light of the Declaration disqualifying *Cowan* as a valid §102 reference, the §102 rejections are rendered moot, and Applicants respectfully request issuance of a Notice of Allowance for all claims now pending.

Applicants further request the Examiner contact the undersigned attorney of record at 512.343.6116 if such would further or expedite the prosecution of the present Application.

Respectfully submitted,



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